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Application Serial No.: 09/817,868

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the Patent Application of:

Inventors: Dutta

For: System and Method for Purchasing Ticket Items with User-Negotiated Security Features

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**A. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action, made final, having a mailing date of August 26, 2004, with a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on November 26, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and reexamination of the present application in light of the following remarks and amendments.

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